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	: FOR PRODUCING SAME	

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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Sir:

This is submitted in response to the July 29, 2008 Official Action as well as the October 10, 2008 Advisory Action.

The Applicants' September 29, 2008 Response provided detailed reasons as to why the various hypothetical combinations including Matsumura, Ashcraft, Radovanovic and Nakatani would not result in the subject matter of the rejected claims. The Applicants include several additional, simplified points to focus these differences for the Examiner's convenience.

At a minimum, the Applicants' laminated film includes a network structure including a film layer containing liquid-crystalline polyester and non-liquid-crystalline polyester. The rejection admits that Matsumura discloses only liquid-crystalline polyester. Thus, the rejection turns to Radovanovic to cure this deficiency. The rejection also admits that Radovanovic discloses liquid-crystalline polyolefin and non-liquid-crystalline polyolefin, but not non-liquid-crystalline polyester.

A hypothetical combination of Radovanovic with Matsumura would at best result in a liquid crystalline polyester disclosed by Matsumura with the addition of the non-liquid-crystalline polyolefin disclosed by Radovanovic. That is not, however, what the Applicants claim. Instead, the Applicants claim liquid-crystalline polyester and non-liquid-crystalline polyester. Non-liquid-crystalline polyester is different from non-liquid-crystalline polyolefin.